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1. There appears to be some misunderstanding concerning the cryptonyms Pastime, etc. Pastime is strictly a BOB designation for a particular activity and has nothing to do with the words used to describe the same activity as run by other Bases. The same is true of Wrinkle and Fold.

2. Reference memorandum has been discussed with [ ] for his comments having been connected with KOB's effort, and with the Communications office for comments on their requirements.

3. [ ] feels that a plan such as you suggest would be unnecessarily complicated. He says that in KOB the use of the general cryptonym with numbers assigned consecutively under it has worked most satisfactorily. From COM's office, our experience in working with files covering the entire station leads us to agree with [ ]

4. Commo states that there are only a few items in which they are distinctly interested a) serial numbers of equipment handled, b) the fact of "blind" burial points, and c) general information concerning what is buried together. They are not concerned directly with the particulars of persons, safe-houses, etc.

5. It is suggested that you continue the designation Pastime/Wrinkle, with a specific number for each case, as you have in the past. If you manage to set up actual live drops and persons, assign a normal cryptonym. For your own use you may wish to show it as Pastime/Ca..., although this is not necessary from our point of view as the files reflect the specific type of activity covered by a specific name.

6. Since reference memorandum concerns BOB cryptonyms only, copies have not been forwarded to KOB and POB. POB's set-up is such that it could not be incorporated into any such plan.

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